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IMPROVING HUMAN-MACHINE
DIALOGS USING LANGUAGE
MODELS LEARNED
AUTOMATICALLY FROM
PERSONALIZED DATA

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 21, 2005, please reconsider the present application in view of the following remarks. Accompanying this response is a request for a three- (3-) month extension of time to respond to the Office Action along with the required fee.

Claims 1-45 remain pending. Claims 1-4, 6, 9-16, 18-23, 25, 28-34, 36-41 and 43 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent no. 6,529,871 of Kanevsky et al. ("Kanevsky") in view of U.S. Patent no. 6,839,669 of Gould et al. ("Gould"). Claims 5, 17, 24, 35 and 42 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kanevsky in view of Gould and further in view of IEEE 0-7803-4122-8/97 ("Kremer").